From: Sent: red-horse [red-horse@comcast.net] Saturday, March 12, 2005 9:25 AM

To:

Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject:

Mattress NPR -- please don't add flame retardant to our beds

Please do NOT legislate that flame retardant chemicals -- or any OTHER chemicals -- must be added to our beds.

I already experience chemical sensitivity from having been exposed to our air, water, clothing, carpet, cleaning products and other chemicals.

I must work from home because I am unable to spend much time around others without suffering devastating neurological consequences. As a result, I do everything in my power to keep my home free of toxic substances.

Now you would legislate that I MUST bring this toxic material into my home — and make my home unsafe for me as well?

I sincerely hope not.

Regards, Sally Rogers

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From: Dottie [sooner1@ix.netcom.com]

Sent: Saturday, March 12, 2005 11:01 AM

To: Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: boric acid in mattresses

#### Commissioner Stratton:

I object STRONGLY to the addition of boric acid to mattresses. Even having lived through a fire, I am far less concerned about dying on a burning mattress than being slowly poisoned by noxious chemicals every night of my life!

Please listen to the warnings of your own health sciences division.

Dorothy Lamson Lincoln, NE

From: Sent:

Bonnie Jean [bjkastle@juno.com] Saturday, March 12, 2005 9:08 AM

To: Subject: Stevenson, Todd A. Proposed Mattress Law

Please do not allow mattress companies to put poisons in our matresses as a flame retardant. This is a ridiculous concept. What are people thinking? These poisons are not necessary and are harmful to everyone!

Sincerely, Bonnie Kirkland From: Impolton [Impolton@comcast.net]
Sent: Saturday, March 12, 2005 6:13 AM

To: Stevenson, Todd A.

Cc: Impolton@comcast.net; mjpolton@comcast.net

Subject: No mandatory flame-proof mattresses

To: Consumer Products Safety Commission

From: Linda Poltonavage,

Palmyra, PA 17078

Date: 3/12/05

RE: Fame-proof mattresses should not be mandatory.

I object to requiring manufacturers to dump all traditional mattresses and sell only flame-proof mattresses for several reasons.

1. These mattresses have not been tested. People and children with asthma are at great risk.

The exposure to such chemicals for 8 hours a night should be tested especially on infants and elderly and people with

chemical sensitivities. My father just died of respiratory failure because of asthma and lung disease. He was 69 years old. To prevent asthma attacks, he had to avoid exhaust fumes, motel rooms that someone had smoked in, restaurants that had a smoking section, aisles in the grocery store containing cleaning products, etc. My mother couldn't even clean house with

him in it. He managed his asthma all his life and struggled with lung disease over 10 years. He would have died the first night if he'd been required to sleep on a mattress with loose boric acid powder in it.

2. Your own health sciences division says more study is needed.

I don't want my children to be your guinea pigs. And a few years down the line, the government may be banning such mattresses.

3. I should have the freedom to weigh the benefits and dangers to  $\operatorname{\mathsf{my}}$  family.

At the moment I would rather risk a fire that consumes our beds before we even hear the alarms or feel the heat or smell

the smoke than be forced to inhale more hazardous chemicals. I have two children who have learning disabilities and

other problems. I believe the hazardous chemicals in our building materials and the additives in our foods have

contributed to their problems especially since my husband and  ${\tt I}$  were on the Dean's lists in college.

4. There is a an alternative.

Allowing manufacturers to carry flame-proof mattresses and traditional mattresses, with WARNING LABELS ON BOTH, would give people freedom of choice. This would give the people the freedom to weigh the benefits and dangers of mattresses filled with hazardous chemicals.

5. There is not enough justification for government control in this situation.

I appreciate the desire of the government to protect people from their own stupidity, but there has to be good justification for government

control. Saving 300 lives is not good enough justification for exposing the entire population to proven hazardous chemicals.

A Free American Citizen

## Stevenson, Todd A.

From: Lori Robeck [lori.robeck@comcast.net]

Sent: Saturday, March 12, 2005 12:52 AM

To: Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: mattress npr

I am writing you to urge you - Do not pass the law allowing poison on our mattresses. The benefits do not outweigh the risks!

Respectfully yours, Lori Robeck

## Stevenson, Todd A.

From: Jane Persh [Janepersh@socal.rr.com]

Sent: Saturday, March 12, 2005 12:46 AM

To: Stevenson, Todd A. Subject: please do not pass

The proposed law to fireproof mattresses should not be passed. I am a very allergic person, and there are many more people that will get sick and even get asthma from such fireproofing of mattresses to protect the small number of people that usually cause the fire to the bed themselves with cigarettes, pipes, and cigars! These few 100s of people shouldn't smoke in bed rather than subject the 100s of millions of Americans to chemicals that are known to cause harm and allergies.

Jane Persh Torrance, CA

## Stevenson, Todd A.

From:

Bethanygibs@aol.com

Sent:

Saturday, March 12, 2005 12:09 AM

To:

Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: flamproof mattresses

## To Whom It May concern:

I have read information on the proposed law to flameproof mattresses. This is of great concern to me due to the harsh chemicals used for this process. I believe it is harmful to my entire family; however, I have an even greater concern. I have a 1 year old daughter who has many allergies and is extremly sensitive to even detergents used on her clothing. If she can not tolerate some laundry detergents, how will her body react to these chemicals?!

Please reconsider passing this law for the safety of all, especially those with allergies and sensitivities to chemicals.

Sincerely,

Bethany Widmer mom of 3

From: Sent:

Ralph Werner [wernn@webtv.net] Saturday, March 12, 2005 12:09 AM Stevenson, Todd A.

To:

Please do not pass law to treat mattresses. Will make some of us sick. Ralph

From: Sent: jerome rosenthal [jsrdsl@yahoo.com] Sunday, March 13, 2005 11:04 PM

To: Subject: Stevenson, Todd A. flame retardant mattresses

To whom it may concern, I am allergic to all aldahydes. I do not want new mattresses to be flame retardant because it would expose me to formaldehyde in the chemicals used to flame retard the mattress. Some allowance should be made for people like myself who are allergic to these chemicals so that we can buy an untreated new mattress, even if it costs a little more. If these non treated mattresses were sold by even one manufacturer , available via the internet, even if it requires a doctor's note. Sincerely, Jerome Rosenthal

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From: Paul and Karen Cioffi [PeaceBwU@comcast.net]

Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2005 10:58 PM

To: Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: please read this

Hi, I am 38 years old and my mattress is fine. What if everyone starts getting Cancer? Please do not let the chemicals in the mattresses. Thank you Paul

Boric Acid (yes, the Roach Killer), Formaldehyde, Melamine, Antimony Trioxide, Vinylidiene Chloride, Zink Borate, and Decabromodiphenyl Oxide (Brominated flame retardant now being found in women's breast milk) are the main chemicals being used to flameproof mattresses. Many of these chemicals cause cancer. Some are known to be a reproductive and developmental toxin: high prenatal mortality, birth defects, reduced fertility, sterility. Liver, kidney, brain, and heart muscle damage are only some effects. Aside from inhalation absorption, some of these chemicals can kill from skin contact alone.

If our government guesses correctly, that it is safe for everyone to sleep in these chemicals, we may save up to 300 people from fire. However, our exposure in mattresses is intimate and chronic. **If they are wrong**, and they have been wrong in the past, they could harm or kill up to 300 million people. All of us sleep on a mattress. **The risk is huge**. Hippocrates left us with the admonition: "First do no harm."

From:

sweigh spilkin [sweigh@hotmail.com]

Sent:

Sunday, March 13, 2005 10:28 PM

To:

Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: Keep our Beds free of Dangerous chemicals

To whom it May Concern,

I'm writing to express my extreme concern for the practice of treating beds with dangerous flame retardants and other harmful chemicals. As someone suffering from Multiple Chemical Sensitivities, a debilitating condition caused by (in my case) exposure to pesticides, and whose symptoms include neurological damage, confusion, fatigue, loss of appetite, and numbness in the extremities, I know the harmful effects of such chemicals first hand. No one should spend half of their life breathing in the harmful chemicals that are used to make flame retardants. At a time when more and more people are dying from cancer and suffering from autoimmune disease, and more and more babies are being born with defects or "strange" illnesses, shouldn't the government be spending their time and our money protecting its citizens from these harmful, known carcinogens, rather than forcing us to sleep on top of them?

Sincerely,

Sweigh Emily Spilkin

Boulder, CO

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From: Janet Sorell [planetjanet94@earthlink.net]

Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2005 8:26 PM

To: Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: Mattress NPR

No boric acid or antimony in my mattress, thank you. To place these known toxins in mattresses will subject millions of people to a great health risk, without their knowledge or consent. Please don't.

Sincerely, Janet Sorell Albany, NY

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From:

Tracy Richardson [tracy.richardson@insightbb.com]

Sent:

Sunday, March 13, 2005 7:57 PM

To:

Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: Chemicals in mattresses

I recently saw an article regarding pending legislation requiring toxic chemicals in mattresses to prevent flammability at <a href="http://www.peopleforcleanbeds.org/">http://www.peopleforcleanbeds.org/</a>. I appreciate government efforts to protect health and safety, however it seems there is little research to support the need for these chemicals and more research supporting their likely harm.

I respectfully request that the government not pass this legislation until further study can be done regarding the health effects of these chemicals in mattresses. With the soaring costs of health care it is imperative that the US Government not institute legislation that results in greater chemical and toxic exposure to the US population.

Sincerely,

Tracy Richardson Lexington, KY

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From: Andrew Sanford [andrew@thesanfordfamily.com]

Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2005 6:16 PM

To: Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: new law that mattresses resist ignition from open flames

I am writing to voice my opinion on the proposed new law. I have very allergic, sensitive children – this should not be forced on me or my family, rather offered as an option to those individuals interested and not concerned about its hypoallergenic qualities... please consider the needs of individuals who cannot tolerate exposure to such chemicals. I can't even tolerate lotion or baby powder, much less a mattress laced with boric acid! Thanks for your consideration...

The Sanford Family

From:

Jerrine Leichhardt [kaleidoscopeglow@earthlink.net]

Sent:

Sunday, March 13, 2005 3:47 PM

To: Subject: Stevenson, Todd A. Flameproof Mattresses

Please do not proceed to add Roach Killer to mattresses. This is a shocking plan. Those of us who are chemically sensitive make every effort to avoid toxic chemicals. Why would we subject all citizens to sleeping in a toxic chemical bath? Why would we make guinea pigs of citizens who buy mattresses without their approval?

Please do not proceed with this plan.

Thanks you.

Sincerely,

Jerrine Leichhardt

## Stevenson, Todd A.

From: Wendye Smith [dsmithclan3@verizon.net]

Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2005 12:32 PM

To: Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: mattress NPR

Please rethink the new law concerning mattresses!! Our son is sensitive to the slightest chemicals and can you imagine the outcome if he is forced to breathe them in for 8 hours a night??? Let it be the consumers choice to purchase a mattress such as this, Not the manufacturers!!!! Thank-You, A Concerned Parent

David and Wendye Smith

dsmithclan3@verizon.net

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From: Gary W. Menghi [gmenghi@verizon.net]

Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2005 10:58 AM

To: Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: Fire retardant mattresses

Dear Sir,

I am writing to express my concern over the latest intent of the CPSC regarding new fire retardant standards.

I want to encourage further review before new standards are enforced. It is known that many of the chemicals you are considering adding to bedding are quite hazardous. I strongly urge that this issue be revisited prior to any new mandate.

The long term health of the average American must weigh heavily against the short term intended results of these new chemicals.

Please consider what these chemicals are known to cause over the long term. Give Americans a chance to decide for themselves whether we feel that another dose of toxins is in our best interest.

With concern,

Gary Mengh

From: Sent: lyle hawk [drhawk@wwdb.org] Sunday, March 13, 2005 3:19 AM

To: Subject:

Stevenson, Todd A. flame proffing mattresses

To Whom it may Concern,

It would seem with the publicity that the FDA is receiving for so blantantly "sleeping" with the drug companies, that your agency feels that no one will really take note of the industry's obvious attempt dip deeper into the public pockets without justification or supporting evidence in an effort to solve a minor problem. I agree that no one wants to see people burned in their beds, however statistically the number of people who actually die are not burned, but in fact die from smoke inhalation. Secondly, I am unaware of the smoking habits of infants, toddlers and children, but I believe it is safe to say that the rate of smoking is low if non-existent. However, if they do smoke, I certain that most of them would require the assistnace of someone to light up in bed. Come on now, do you really think this is a necessary ruling or is are you perhaps driven by a profit motive?????

Lyle Hawk, D.C.

From:

Barbara Taddeo [btaddeo@earthlink.net]

Sent: To: Sunday, March 13, 2005 12:27 AM

lo: Subject: Stevenson, Todd A. New mattress regualtion

Hi am a person who has extreme difficulty breathing now. Adding a chemical to a mattress I might buy will make life more difficult then it is now. If a person is stupid enough to smoke in bet why should I suffer. I am extremely allergic to most chemicals which are added to new clothing, as well as fragrances, new paints etc. Now why make it difficult to sleep because I can not breath. Please do not pass the law adding flameproof chemicals to mattresses.

Sincerely, Barbara Taddeo

From: Philip M [p-m@yahoo.com]

Sent: Sunday, March 13, 2005 7:07 PM

To: Stevenson, Todd A.

Subject: no chemicals in my mattress - Mattress NPR

Why are you retards in congress determined to poison me by requiring fire retardant chemicals in bedding as described here:

http://www.nontoxic.com/beds/fireretardentalert.htm?

Oh, that's right, I forgot. You're all rich Mafiosi with wood floors.

The operative word in "fire retardant chemicals" is RETARD. As in YOU are the RETARD that wants to poison me because some drugged out freak that owns a chemical company likes killing animals.

Please stop. Pass your crime off on some other country as legislation.

P.S. Fluoride is a toxic chemical and I have **Dental Fluorosis** (http://www.fluoridealert.org/dental-fluorosis.htm)

## You dumb freaks.

- Philip M

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## Stevenson, Todd A.

Mark@PeopleForCleanBeds.org [mark@peopleforcleanbeds.com] From:

Monday: March 14, 2005 12:50 AM Sent:

Danello, Mary Ann; Stratton, Hal; Chairman Stratton; Moore, Thomas H.; Account Terminated; To:

Hartman, Jason J.; Neily, Margaret L.; Commissioner Moore; Stevenson, Todd A.; Elder, Jacqueline; Stadnik, Andrew G.; McLaurin, Hugh M.; Rodgers, Gregory B.; Mullan, John G.;

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It's amazing what arrives in email. Earlier this month, we received an

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announcement from a new advocacy group bent on staging a

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"Sacramento Tea Party."

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This group, whose website is www.PeopleForCleanBeds.org (no, we're not kidding), is attempting to head off a new mandate proposed by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission who would like to cut down on the death toll (currently running about 300 a year) of people killed by mattress fires.

It turns out, however, that the only way to flameproof a mattress is to

treat it with chemicals. Some of those chemicals are toxic, and the

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As in the case of the current local fight over electrical transmission lines, safety is a moving target, and there are certain products and processes that fall in a gray area.

People for Clean Beds maintain that to subject the entire 300 million

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people in the U.S. to possibly toxic materials in their mattresses to save perhaps a few hundred bed-smokers from death is a risky and expensive proposition.

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A state law has already been passed in California (hence the Sacramento Tea Party) and is close to passage in New York and New Jersey. The comment period on the federal regulation ends Monday, March 14, 2005. Interested persons can log onto www.PeopleForCleanBeds.org for instructions about weighing in on this matter.

This whole situation, much as it gave us a chuckle when we first read the email, seems to illustrate several idiosyncrasies of modern life. First, we want to be safe—100 percent, absolutely, surely safe. We ban whole categories of food from our diet when we read they may cause cancer; we buy safety products; we litigate if we fall and trip on someone's sidewalk. We seem no longer to believe that accidents happen. Everything, in our American view, should apparently be subject to benign control.

Second, we need to act on every danger. We don't just say "Stay away from the cliff"; we build fences. We don't just teach our children not to smoke and certainly not to smoke in bed; we want to make our mattresses flameproof. Unfortunately, all this action often has unintended consequences. The fence erodes the cliff edge and we lose a place of natural beauty; the treated mattresses cause other, chemical problems.

The truth is: We are not safe; life is fragile. As in all things, there is a balance, a mid-line, between appropriate caution and concern for safety and the urge to make everything 100 percent secure. It's a line we too often don't bother to discover.

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Schoem, Marc J.; Stevenson, Todd A.

Cc: mark@strobel.com

Subject: Mattress NPR, San Francisco Chronicle and Others report risks of toxic chemicals in mattresses

required under a new law

# San Francisco Chronicle and Others report risks of toxic chemicals in mattresses required under a new law

The San Francisco Chronicle Home Editor, Laura Thomas, did a great 1500 word article exposing the health risks of toxic chemicals being used in mattresses to meet a new open flame resistance law. The new law is already effective in California and is being enacted nationwide by the Consumer Products Safety Commission within the next year. The CPSC public comment period on this proposed law has been extended until March 29. People should send comments to <a href="mailto:Tstevenson@cpsc.gov">Tstevenson@cpsc.gov</a> (Subject: "Mattress NPR")

"You don't know until 10 years down the road and there's a problem," ... The situation also bothers Mark Strobel, who developed the Supple-Pedic bed as an alternative to the innerspring mattress. He has started his own advocacy organization -- People for Clean Beds - - from his Jeffersonville, Ind., headquarters to oppose the federal law. On his Web site, he lists boric acid, formaldehyde, melamine, antimony trioxide, vinylidene chloride, zinc borate and decabromodiphenyl oxide as chemicals used in making mattresses flameproof. 'For people to lie in this stuff for eight hours, with skin contact and breath contact. I cannot imagine what could be worse,' he said."

See the article at: http://sfqate.com/cqi-bin/article.cgi?file=/c/a/2005/03/02/HOGHSBDEL126.DTL

We have also gotten news coverage from a Connecticut newspaper: http://www.towntimes.com/articles/2005/02/24/news/editorials/editorial02.txt

I am also getting a lot of news from an unknown or source or sources. On Wednesday morning March 9, I started getting thousands of responses from people nationwide. I would love to know what news prompted these responses. Do you have sources where you can find out? Thanks for your help.

Laura did a great job of telling a balanced story from what people told her. But this illustrates the problem I face. Proponents whitewash the chemical issue and say they don't use chemicals. The CPSC's proposed law lists the various systems used to meet the standard, and their chemical content. A review of this document will prove the proponents statements wrong.

Most barrier systems contain Antimony Oxide. The most popular systems use Modacrylic Fibers which have Antimony Oxide spun with the fiber. They call this an inherently flame resistant fiber. When pressed they say it is chemically bound and cannot be released. If you read the CPSC draft law it tells you Antimony may be released with perspiration, and more study is needed.

ISPA tells you the barriers are three or four layers down, which is simply not usually true. Then they attack Waterbeds which can usually pass the flame test without a chemical barrier, depending on the amount of filling in the quilting. Bare waterbeds are exempt from the law.

It is not surprising ISPA attacks waterbeds, airbeds, and all other types of non-innerspring mattresses. ISPA represents innerspring mattress manufacturers and pushes for this law for their benefit. They have seen their market share decline as specialty, non-innerspring, newer technology mattresses have recently grown from 10% to 30% of the market. We can only speculate their real reasons for wanting this law, but it seems clear the law will increase their revenue on the same number of unit sales, put specialty beds at a disadvantage compared to steel springs, and protect their turf from imports and smaller competition with high testing and compliance costs.

From what I can tell, the most popular system in use is fluffy polyester batting with Modacrylic fibers mixed in (Antimony Oxide), quilted in directly under the ticking, not three or four levels down.

I have a copy of a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) on the flame barrier Harrison Murphy sells. It clearly states the barrier contains Modacrylic (antimony oxide) and fiberglass. Fiberglass is the only inherently flame retardant fiber that can pass this test without added chemicals that I or the CPSC knows of. Fiberglass has health risks of its own, experts say we should not breathe tiny particles of fiberglass and consider it as bad as Asbestos.

In mattresses I only see Kevlar used in the thread to hold the flame barriers together. Paraaramids or meta-aramids may be mixed in with Basofil systems. These chemicals have some cancer causing ingredients, though at less than one percent.

Basofil appears to be a popular system. It is made from the reaction of melamine and formaldehyde. It is the only system the CPSC calls low risk, all the others are considered higher risk. However, it contains a small amount of free formaldehyde. All things break down over time. Will this system release even more formaldehyde over time? No one knows. Formaldehyde is very toxic and cancer causing. Even a small amount may prove toxic to humans sleeping in it over time. This system could prove to be the most harmful.

Coincidentally, BASF, a multi-billion dollar company, sold off its Basofil division at a time when it was becoming clear the new mattress fire law would become a national standard. This will dramatically increase Basofil's revenue with a huge new market. Why would BASF sell off a division about to experience huge sales gains? Do they know something we don't? Were they concerned about potential legal liabilities?

Gordon Damant's statement about Boric Acid (Roach Killer) is ridiculous when he states: "It has been studied all over the world and has come out clean as far as toxicity is concerned." We know it is incredibly poisonous to people, though it has never been studied in mattresses. Boric Acid is readily absorbed through damaged skin. It has killed babies when applied in diluted form to diaper rash. The CPSC says more study is needed and "CPSC staff has previously provided its opinion that boric anhydride and boric acid are acutely toxic, ... Moreover, it is staff's opinion that boric acid falls within the CPSC's chronic toxicity guidelines issued under the FHSA. It is a probable reproductive and developmental toxicant in humans, based upon sufficient animal data." (Page 148) There is new research published by the EPA in June 2004 that shows Boric Acid is even more dangerous than once thought. The EPA now warns: "Use without dermal protection may result in serious chronic and developmental effects"

Then there are Boric Acid systems. I dissected a major brand's mattress and found they had a 1/8 inch thick compressible layer of fluffy polyester batting just under the ticking followed by an inch thick layer of cotton batting that contains Boric Acid and Modacrylic fibers mixed in. I have a copy of a letter which states they use Boric Acid in their system, if you would like a copy. This brand is the number two or three brand in the nation and has at least 15% of the total mattress market. They decided to try to gain market advantage by putting this system in all their mattresses nationwide about a year ago. They advertise and get free publicity for having, ironically, the safe mattress. They already have over three million of these mattresses in use. I am concerned about

the future health of these people.

I am sure it is not just this one brand. Many more will likely use this system as it is the least expensive. However, I have not yet seen another major brand using it. It is controversial even within the mattress industry. Most see Boric Acid as risky and are choosing other barrier systems.

I personally know Whitney Davis, Dick Doyle, Gordon Damant, and Harrison Murphy. Based on my meeting with Whitney Davis, I think he also worries about the risks of Boric Acid.

Treated cotton batting contains 10% to 14% Boric Acid by weight to meet the cigarette test. I weighed the cotton batting in the dissected mattresses. If you assume 10% boric acid, a queen mattress would contain 1.5 pounds of Boric Acid in its surface. I call that a large amount when a single dose of 2-3 grams has killed humans. What will it do to people sleeping in it for many years? No one knows, yet.

Neither the CPSC nor I have yet found a barrier system that does not require dangerous chemicals. See quotable truths on chemicals in mattresses, pages 138 to 162 of the CPSC draft of this new law. See quotes and links to this document: <a href="http://www.peopleforcleanbeds.org/Quotes-CPSC.htm">http://www.peopleforcleanbeds.org/Quotes-CPSC.htm</a>

The CPSC admits they are guessing on the safety of these chemicals and more study is needed. I wish CPSC commissioners would also read the health effects section of their own proposed law.

It is unfortunate proponents distort the truth on this issue, peoples lives are at stake. Laura did a great story and raised the issues of the risks. She did a lot of work with all the people she interviewed. Thanks to her lead more media may also report this story and expose the risks. I hope professional journalists will take up the story from where Laura left off and expose the truths about this chemical use that the proponents are trying to hide.

The human consequences of guessing wrong on the safety of theses chemicals in mattresses are huge. If we make even the smallest mistake, millions of people could die.

Sincerely, Mark Strobel, President, Strobel Technologies, <a href="www.robel.com">www.robel.com</a>, and Director, <a href="www.robel.com">www.robel.com</a>, See websites for Doctor quotes and more information on this issue. 3131 Industrial Pkwy, Jeffersonville IN 47130, Phone: 812-282-4388, Fax: 812-282-6528, Email: mark@strobel.com

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I\_agree1:

Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Rick Strobel

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 212 Wood Rd.

City: Louisville State: KY Zip: 40222

Phone1: 502-419-5555

Email1: rstrobel@infotime.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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l\_agree1: Salutation1:

Name1: Rick Strobel

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 212 Wood Rd.

City: Louisville State: KY Zip: 40222

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B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I\_agree1: Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Rick Strobel

Degrees1: Company1:

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Email1: rstrobel@infotime.com

B2: Submit

### Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Rick Strobel

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 3131 Industrial Pkwy

City: Jeffersonville

State: IN Zip: 47130

Phone1:

Email1: rick@strobel.com

B2: Submit

Comments1:

I\_agree1: Salutation1: Dr.

Name1: Rick Strobel

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 3131 Industrial Pkwy

City: Jeffersonville

State: IN Zip: 47130

Phone1:

Email1: rick@strobel.com

B2: Submit

Comments1:

bring it on!

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Jean Carter

Degrees1:

Company1: Jean Carter Designed Interiors, Inc.

Address1: 17-B Professional Lane

City: Pawleys Island State: South Carolina

Zip: 29585

Phone1: 843 235-4018 Email1: Jean0507@aol.com

B2: Submit

Comments1:

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I\_agree1: Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Bonnie MacDonald

Degrees1:

Company1: Bonnie Lynn Interiors, Inc. Address1: 531 S. Warminster Road

City: Hatboro State: PA

Zip: 19040-4029 Phone1: 215-275-4067

Email1: bonnie.macdonald3@verizon.net

B2: Submit

Comments1:

I\_agree1: Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Gregg Lasseter

Degrees1:

Company1: Phoenix Design & Consulting

Address1: 42 Lasseters Landing

City: Columbia State: NC

Zip: 27925-8486

Phone1: Email1:

Submit B2:

Comments1:

Lagree1: Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Laura Heath

Degrees1:

Company1: Heath Interiors, Inc. Address1: 2711 Stanley

Amarillo City: State: TX 79109 Zip:

806-352-2723 Phone1: Email1: asidme@aol.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

Flame retardants may be important, but the chances of injury or death are calculated and probable only if a fire occurs. It seems to me that injury from the use of Boric Acid is inevitable just from sleeping. The risk is FAR too great for me!

1\_agree1: Salutation1: Ms. Name1: Barbara Degrees1: MSW, BID

Company1: BArbara Lesch Interiors

Address1:

Nashville City: State: TN. Zip: 37215

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Michael Coulianidis Name1:

Degrees1:

Company1: M.A. Rallis Corp. Address1: 2031 Highway 130 City: Monmouth Junction

State: NJ Zip: 08852

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

## Comments1:

I agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Joi Tannert Degrees1:

Company1: Art of Design

Address1:

City:

Wake Forest NC

State: Zip:

27587

Phone1: Email1:

Submit B2:

#### Comments1:

I\_agree1:

Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Clara Burns-Trogdon Degrees1: MS, CCC-SLP

Company1: Ready2Talk Speech & Language Services, LLC

Address1:

Whiteville City: State: NC Zip: 28472

Phone1: Email1:

Submit **B2**:

#### Comments1:

## I definitely don't want anything more toxic added to my home environment!

Lagree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Leslie Jones

Degrees1:

Company1: Leslie's Interiors

Address1:

City: Washington

State: MI Zip: 48094

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Dr.

Name1: **Brant Brown** 

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 1314 E Las Olas Blvd #1078

Fort Lauderdale City:

State: FL Zip: 33301

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

## Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Larry Kommers

Degrees1:

Company1: Great Mattress Company

Address1: 104 Hillcrest Drive

City: Laurens State: SC Zip: 29360

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Dan Shore

Degrees1:

Company1: BES

Address1:

City: Ponte Vedra

State: FL Zip: 32082

Phone1:

Email1: shored@bellsouth.net

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Angela Sullivan

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 487 W. Johnstown Rd.

City: Gahanna State: Ohio Zip: 43230

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

## This should not be a requirement. It should only be an option.

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Joan B Warrington

Degrees1: BA MS
Company1: Solaria, Inc
Address1: 4-A Pine street
City: avondale estates

State: ga Zip: 30002

Phone1: 404.508.1987

Email1: joanie@solaria-home.com

B2:

Submit

#### Comments1:

Of Couse the risk is ourweighed! Get ahold of yourself and stop this.

How much of this is going on without our knowledge?

How many of my friends and family do I have to loose from early deaths due to our lack of knowledge on environmental exposures.

Why doesn't the media expose the truths for our safety!!

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms. Name1: LINDA

Degrees1: A.S. DEGREE

Company1: SHOWPLACE INTERIORS Address1: 2501 BURNS ROAD - STE. A City: PALM BEACH GARDENS

State: FLORIDA

Zip: 33410

Phone1: 561-776-7606 X. 231

Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms. Name1: LINDA

Degrees1: A.S. DEGREE

Company1: SHOWPLACE INTERIORS Address1: 2501 BURNS ROAD - STE. A City: PALM BEACH GARDENS

State: FLORIDA Zip: 33410

Phone1: 561-776-7606 X. 231

Email: LINDAV.@SHOWPLACEINTERIORS.US

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

#### THANK YOU!

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms. Name1: kelli grate

Degrees1:

Company1: Lodging Enterprises, Inc. Address1: 8110 E. 32nd Street, Suite 100

City: Wichita State: Kansas Zip: 67226

Phone1:

Email1: kgrate@lodgingenterprises.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

We have hotels across the U.S.

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms. Name1: D Degrees1:

Company1: Lee Douglas Interiors, Inc. Address1: 4144 South 48th Street

City: Lincoln State: NE Zip: 68506

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Erin Alderman

Degrees1: Professional Interior Designer, Allied A.S.I.D.

Company1: Alderman Interior Design,Inc.

Address1:

City: Jacksonville State: Florida Zip: 32223

Phone1: 904.262.1166

Email1: Aldermaninteriordesign@msn.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Sherri Fried

Degrees1:

Company1: CREATIVE SPACES

Address1:

City: Phoenixville

State: PA Zip: 19460

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: JOSEPH RINKUNAS

Degrees1:

Company1: EFO FURNITURE Address1: 101 MONAHAN AVE

City: DUNMORE

State: PA Zip: 18512

Phone1: 570-961-5424

Email1: JOER@EFOFURNITURE.COM

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

Serta already has "treated cotton" in its Fireblocker mattresses. I was not aware of any of this until I received your fax. I am going to request a MSDS from them.

100. 1 0:11 young to request a mose of them.

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Mickey Leblanc

Degrees1:

Company1: American Wholesale Mattress

Address1: 3640 Government st.

City: Alexandria State: La. Zip: 71303

Phone1: 318-473-0220

Email1: awmcorp@hotmail.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

It concerns me greatly that our government is passing laws that could potentially poison me and my family. I would like to know what group of people have been lobbying for this legislation. I'm sure that someone stands to profit greatly by this law and our health is of no concern to them.

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Janice Crawford Ochtera

Degrees1:

Company1: L'Interieur Address1: 18a High Street

City: Westerly State: RI Zip: 02891

Phone1: 401-348-0045

Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

ENOUGH of making the public pay, monetarily and in health, for the cutting of manufacturing costs by the makers. You are making us SICK!

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: .David Cox

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: Loris
State: sc
Zip: 29569
Phone1:

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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Lagree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: ALICIA GUEDE

Degrees1:

Company1: ANGELI, INC.

Address1: 500 MUNOZ RIVERA AVE. COND. EL CENTRO II

City: SAN JUAN State: PUERTO RICO

Zip: 00918

Phone1: 1-787-763-1482 Email1: angeli@prtc.net

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Natalie Davis

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Stockton State: CA Zip: 95219

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit .

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Letha Nufer

Degrees1: BA

Company1: INTERIORS by Decorating Den

Address1: 133 Trail's End Ct.

City: Raleigh State: NC Zip: 27614

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

# Please do not use my name & address for solititation beyond this cause.

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: John McCormick

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 1918 NE 338th Ave

City: Washougal State: WA

Zip: 98671

Phone1:

Email1: mac4141@aol.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON Salutation 1: Ms.

Name1: Sharron Brust

Degrees1: MSW

Company1: Ecophilia Design

Address1: 1101 Periwinkle Way Ste. 101

City: Sanibel State: FI Zip: 33957

239-472-6887 Phone1: Email1: ecophilia@aol.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

Thanks for the update. We Appreciate the information and will pursue this issue.

l agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Suzanne Carver Name1: Degrees1: Interior Designer

Company1: Carver Design Grpup, Ltd. Address1: 144 Main Street

City: Essex State: MA. Zip: 01929

Phone1: 978768-9143

Email1: suzanne@carverdesign.com

B2: Submit

## Comments1:

We do not sell mattresses, but we do help our clients find mattresses through retailers. This is bottom line disturbing information, and a horrific dilemma, given the also real danger of flammable mattresses. We vote against this law, which appears to actually increase the risk of total harm to humans, no matter how much it may reduce the risk of harm by fire. Clearly, a slow death or damage by poison is not a preferable choice to a faster death by fire.

This is an extension of the chemical sensitivity risk right into people's rest time. What good is all of the 'knowledge' in these risk solutions, if there is no wisdom in any of the research?

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: **Betty Sizemore** 

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Raleigh State: NC Zip: 27614

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

I agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr. Name1: Allen Hyduck

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 18617 E. Via De Palmas

City: Queen Creek

State: AZ Zip: 85242

Phone1: 480-888-9068

Email1: futonshome@earthlink.net

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Lisa Picard
Degrees1: MSRED, MCP
Company1: Canyon Ranch
Address1: 8600 E. Rockcliff Road

City: Tucson State: AZ Zip: 85750

Phone1: 520-749-9655

Email1: lpicard@canyonranch.com

B2: Submit

## Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Debbie Davis

Degrees1: Company1: Address8875YC

Virginia Beach

State: VA Zip: 23454

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

is this a new form of suicide that the govenment has developement. I for one do not intent to buy any mattresses with deadly chemicals enbedded into them.

We suffer enough for all the chemical in our food and the air we breath. Now we have to worry about what we are breathing in our sleep.

What may be good for the few is lethal to the masses.

I have seen what boric acid can do to roaches.

Have we all been label roaches to the govenment now.

With the raising cost of healthcare, we have to add respiratory infection to the list of deadly diseases.

#### THIS MUST NOT BE PASS INTO LAW.

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Betty Lasseter

Degrees1:

Company1: Edgewater Enterprises, LLC

Address1: 42 Lasseters Landing

City: Columbia State: NC Zip: 27925

Phone1: 252-796-3379

Email1: betty@lassterslanding.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

This is ludicrous! Given a choice I would rather perish in a fire than to die a slow death from poisioning. Talk about escalating heath care costs, not to mention those that will have to endure. Where's the reasoning and who's going to financially benefit from this (if allowed to pass)legalized genocide?

#### **Betty Lasseter**

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Tina Moore

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Louisville State: KY Zip: 40258 Phone1:

Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Dr.

Name1: Dennis Nowack

Degrees1: DC

Company1: Oregon Wellness Center

Address1:

City: Beaverton State: ORegon Zip: 97005

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: joei skeffington

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: wellington

State: fl Zip: 33414

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

# STOP THE MADNESS!

1\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Kim Cregan

Degrees1:

Company1: Carpets by Martin Address1: 308 N. Main St.

City: Shrewsbury

State: PA Zip: 17361

Phone1: 717-235-2548 Email1: Martins@nfdc.net

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

l\_agree1:

Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Teresa Hux

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Jackson

State: North Carolina

Zip: 27845

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

# I am opposed to this law!!!!!!

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Jennifer Indence

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Cold Spring Harbor

State: NY Zip: 11724

Phone1:

jenindence@hotmail.com Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

It makes me sick that this can even happen. I don't understand how this is even legal? It is no wonder why people are always sick with something.

I agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Sylvana Zeenny

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Torrance California State: 90501 Zip:

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

Lagree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs. Name1: Suissa

Degrees1:

Company1: Suissa Design Address1: 2699 Stirling Rd., Ste.B301

City: Hollywood State: Florida Zip: 33312

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

This is an incredibly irrational and dangerous concept. We must not allow this to happen.

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Marcia Jabionski

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 1413 W. Cortez

Chicago City: State: IL Zip: 60622

Phone1: Email1:

Submit B2:

Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: David Zambelli

Degrees1:

Company1: Heritage House Address1: 408 N Main St

City: Barnegat State: NJ Zip: 08005

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

It appears to me that someone in government has their priorities confused. We would be jebardizing the health of most of the population to protect insurance companies from lawsuits.

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Ryan Sayyah
Degrees1: A.S. graphic design

Company1:

Address1: 1370 Williams Road City: New Smyrna Beach

State: FI Zip: 32168

Phone1: (386)689-1563

Email1: RVSayyah @ Yahoo.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Spencer Simcik

Degrees1:

Company1: Spencers Mattress Address1: 15460 Devonshire St.

City: Mission HILLS

State: CA Zip: 91345

Phone1: 818 830-0881

Email1: sLEEPMART@EARTHLINK.NET

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

I AM FIRMLY OPPOSED TO THE NEW FIREPROOFING LAWS. THIS IS AN OUTRAGE. OUR CLIENTS SHOULD HAVE THE CHOICE AND SIGN A WAIVER AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE POTENTIALLY EXPOSED TO TOXIC CHEMICALS. THIS NEW LAW MAY EXPOSE THE INDUSRY TO A LOT OF LITIGATION AND LAWSUITS. SPENCER SIMCIK

I\_agree1:

Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Kristin Plum

Degrees1: Company1: Address1: City: Cary

State: NC

Zip: 27511

Phone1: Email1: B2: Submit

Comments1:

Petition, I oppose any and all Flame Retardant Chemicals in Mattresses.

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Casey Shaw

Degrees1:

Company1: Shaw's Furniture

Address1:

City: Ellensburg State: Wa Zip: 98926

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Thomas Struchen

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Chapel Hill

State: NC Zip: 27514

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON
Salutation1: Mr.
Name1: Ted
Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: Raleigh

State: NC Zip: 27529

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

The thought of using Boric Acid that would cause the aforementioned afflictions is insane.

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Beth Marcil

Degrees1:

Company1: Marcil Studio Address1: 390 B Kulike Rd.

City: Haiku State: HI Zip: 96708

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

It seems we're always fighting invisible toxins in our modern society. It's discouraging. I tend to be very conscientious about my diet and the types of chemicals etc I use in my household. Nonetheless, I have just been diagnosed with extremely high levels of lead and mercury, and so am particularly sensitive to the topic of toxins in our environment over which we have no control. I hope our votes in this situation will make a difference.

## Sincerely,

#### Beth Marcil

I\_agree1: Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Bill Fullwood

Degrees1:

Company1: BBS Builders , Inc. Address1: 3525 Griffin Road City: Fort Lauderdale

State: Fla Zip: 33312

Phone1:

Email1: bldr@prodigy.net

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

#### Vote No

Thanks for the heads up..Bill

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Bill Fullwood

Degrees1:

Company1: BBS Builders , Inc. Address1: 3525 Griffin Road City: Fort Lauderdale

State: Fla Zip: 33312

Phone1:

Email1: bldr@prodigy.net

B2: Submit

## Comments1:

#### Vote No

Thanks for the heads up..Bill

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Sandy Harms

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1:

City: Yreka

State: CA

Zip: 96097

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Terry H. Gillespie

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 145 N. Church St.

City: Spartanburg

State: SC Zip: 29306

Phone1: 864-591-2308 X 101 Email1: terryg@mcgsc.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

What is the point of risking the many problems on the possible chance of fire? Smoke inhalation will kill before the fire.

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: susannah west

Degrees1: ASID

Company1: susannah west interiors Address1: 107 chancellors ridge

City: cary State: nc Zip: 27513

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: James E. Powell

Degrees1:

Company1: J.Powell and Associates, Inc

Address1: P.O. Box 1455

City: Avon State: CO Zip: 81620

Phone1: 970 748 0383

Email1: j.powell135@comcast.net

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

d We are already exposed to many harmfull chemicals aily. Why do we have to sleep with them too.

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I\_agree1:

Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Jodi Lasseter

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Raleigh State: NC Zip: 27604

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I am MUCH more worried about the certain danger of sleeping on, and indirectly inhaling, poisons designed to kill hardy pests than the potential threat of a fire. It is outrageous that this is being forced on the public unawares! Please do not go forward with the plan to treat all mattresses with boric acid and other such toxic chemicals.

Lagree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Thomas Young

Degrees1:

Company1: Youngideas

Address1: 1250 Norton Avenue

City: Glendale State: CA Zip: 91202

Phone1: 818.291.4019

Email1: youngideas@mindspring.com

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

It would be hard to find another legislative issue where the right thing to do is as intellectually clear as that of reversing the new FR rules.

l\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Sherrod Bryan

Degrees1: MCS patient, interior designer Company1: Sherrod's Custom Interiors

Address1: 1403 Captains Road

City: Tarboro State: NC Zip: 27886

Phone1: 252-823-0872

Email1: sherrodbryan@aol.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

Having suffered from MCS for over 20 years, it is encouraging to see that people are finally beginning to see the cause and effect of adverse exposure to some of the chemicals in our everyday products. We still have a long way to go.

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs. Name1: Rita Degrees1: RN Company1:

Address1: 2760 Birdie Lane

City: Conover State: NC Zip: 28613

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Lynn Roberson

Degrees1: Nurse
Company1: n/a
Address1: po b 714
City: roanoke rapids

State: nc Zip: 27870

Phone1: 2524455848 Email1: ordertherainbow

B2: Submit

Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Jacqueline Byer

Degrees1:

Company1: Byer Artisans Address1: 3 Sundown Bend

City: Johns Island

State: SC Zip: 29455

Phone1: 843-768-3054

Email1: byerartisans@yahoo.com

B2: Submit

Comments1:

I\_agree1: Salutation1: Dr.

Name1: Jacqueline Byer

Degrees1: M.D. Company1:

Address1: 3 Sundown Bend

City: Johns Island

State: SC Zip: 29455

Phone1: 843-768-3054 Email1: fbyer@bellsouth.net

B2: Submit

Comments1:

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I\_agree1:

Salutation1: Dr.

Name1: J. Frederick Byer

Degrees1: M.D. Company1:

Address1: 3 Sundown Bend

Johns Island City:

State: SC Zip: 29455

Phone1: 843-768-3054 Email1: fbyer@bellsouth.net

Submit B2:

#### Comments1:

Salutation1: Mr.

Kevin Palombo Name1:

Degrees1: MBA

Company1: Midtown Insurance Exchange Address1: PO Box 78264

City: Atlanta State: GΑ Zip: 30357

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

1 agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Kevin Palombo Name1: Degrees1: Bachelor in Science Company1: Triad Asset Management

Address1: 1314 E. Las Olas Blvd, Suite 1078

Fort Lauderdale City:

State: FL 33301 Zip:

Phone1: Email1:

**B2**: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr. Name1: Al Cicotte

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: PO Box 78264

City: Atlanta State: GA 30357 Zip:

Phone1: Email1:

**B2**: Submit

# Comments1:

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I\_agree1:

Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Doreen Mack Degrees1: Associates

Company1: Lofty Expressions Address1: 405 N. Pratt St.

City: Carson City

State: NV Zip: 89703

Phone1: 775-885-2444

Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I have clients who are highly allergic to to any chemicals, as a matter of fact one of my clients was in the hospital with severe asthma because of a chemical in her chair that we had just purchased. I find this absoulutely absurd! I would not want to sleep on a mattress treated in chemicals, especially Boric Acid.

Doreen Mack

Lofty Expressions

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr. Name1: mark

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: test
State: test
Zip: test
Phone1:
Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Joann Freeman Degrees1: Marketing

Company1: Elegant Homes International

Address1: 5604 Forest Drive

City: Columbia State: S.C. Zip: 29229

Phone1: 803-788-1981

Email1: eleganthomesintl@yahoo.com

B2: Submit

Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Joann Freeman Degrees1: Marketing

Company1: Elegant Homes International

Address1: 5604 Forest Drive

City: Columbia State: S.C. Zip: 29206

Phone1: 803-788-1981

Email1: eleganthomesintl@yahoo.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

l\_agree1: ON 
Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: edris daughtry

Degrees1: MA Company1: Address1:

City: Garysburg State: NC Zip: 27831

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

How stupid to kill us slowly. The ratio of those who die on burning mattresses to those who spend 8 hours a night for a life time with no fire is quite lopsided. Stop the laws which are really unnecessary.

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Dwain Schuh

Degrees1:

Company1: Oak & Pine Superstore

Address1: 10108 IH 35

City: Austin State: Texas Zip: 78753

Phone1:

Email1: dko@oakandpine.com

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

There is always a politician anxious to jump into our beds. The excuse this time is to save a few smokers from killing themselves while smoking in bed. Save a few while legislating poison for all. This is a stupid and potentially dangerous law that will not be good for anyone and will add an unnecessary \$100 to the cost of bedding.

# Dwain Schuh

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Virginia Foster

Degrees1: AA

Company1: Dindy Foster Interiors

Address1: 1619 S. Peoria

City: Tulsa

State: OK 49□

Zip: 74120

Phone1:

918-587-9900

Email1:

B2:

Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Beth S. Fonnesu

Degrees1:

Company1: Reflections Furniture Address1: 2220 Hwy. 70 SE #342

City: Hickory State: NC Zip: 28602

Phone1:

Email1: bfonnesu@charter.net

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

Please do not share my email with any other companies. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES SHOULD THERE BE ANY SUBSTANCES KNOWN TO HARM ANY HUMAN BE PUT INTO A MATTRESS WHERE THE MAJORITY OF US SPEND 1/3 OF OUR ENTIRE DAY!! THIS IS LUDICROUS AND SHOULD HAVE NEVER BEEN AN OPTION. IF CALIFORNIA LAWS ARE SO STRICT THEN LET THEM DEAL WITH THE RISING INSURANCE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH LONG TERM EXPOSURE. IF MATTRESS COMPANIES FIND IT TO DIFFICULT TO SELL TWO 'DIFFERENT' TYPES OF MATTRESSES, THEN LEAVE CALIFORNIA OUT OF THEIR SELLING LOOP. LOSING CALIFORNIA SALES WILL BE MINIMAL COMPARED TO THE LAWSUITS THAT WOULD ENSUE 5 TO 10 YEARS FROM NOW!!!!!!!!

l\_agree1:

Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: Pamela Featherstone

Degrees1:

Company1: Mattress Express Furniture

Address1: 1810 N. Dixie Blve

City: Radcliff State: Ky. Zip: 40160

Phone1: 270-351-2777 Email1: pamfst@juno.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

Thank you for making the industry aware of this. There are enough pollutants in our everyday lives without adding more. This is an outrage that the bedding industry would even consider doing this! Please help to keep us informed about the progress of this action. I hope and pray that this can be stopped!

Lagree1: ON Salutation1: Ms.

Name1: Rowena Finegan

Degrees1:

Company1: (Finn Design Ltd) Eco-terric

Address1: 3080 Veltkamp Rd

City: Bozeman State: Montana Zip: 59718

Phone1: 406 388 2610 Email1: rofin@onewest.net

B2: Submit Comments1: l agree1: ON Salutation1: Ms. Name1: Amanda Keeney Degrees1: Company1: Address1: City: Felton ... State: DE 19943 Zip: Phone1: Email1: B2: Submit Comments1: I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs. Name1: Sarah Young Degrees1: Company1: Sarah Young Designs Address1: 353 Jonestown Rd. Ste. 265 Winston-Salem City: State: NC Zip: 27104 Phone1: Email1: B2: Submit Comments1: I agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr. Name1: Scott Dixon Degrees1: Company1: Address1: City: Advance State: NC Zip: 27006 Phone1: Email1: B2: Submit Comments1: I\_agree1: Salutation1: Mr. Name1: Kenneth Oliver Degrees1: Company1: Jones Fiber Products Address1: P.O. Box 13212 City: Memphis

TN

State:

Zip: 38113-0212 Phone1: 901-948-4469

Email1: koliver@jonesyarn.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

Dear Mr. Strobel.

You fail to mention that the study of boric acid fed to dogs was in a quantity 100 times greater than is recommended for human consumption. You fail to mention that boric acid is a vital nutrient found in YOUR diet everyday. You fail to mention that boric acid is less toxic than common table salt. You fail to mention that boric acid is a primary ingediant in most major brands of eye wash. You fail to mention the mechanism by which boric acid is deadly to roaches-it has to do with dehydration not toxicity. You fail to mention that in order to observe any toxicity from boric acid in a mattress one would die from the amount of cotton one would have to consume long before the level of boric acid would show any toxic effects. Seems obvious to me you didn't research as well as perhaps you should have on this issue.

By the way the USDA did intensive studies on boric acid from 1968-1972 before giving their approval for use in mattresses. You might want to read Dr. Nestor Nefler's work. I'm sure the manufacturers of the product will be in contact with you in order to help you get your facts aligned more acurately with truth rather than myth. You might also do well to understand better what you are putting in the mattresses you sell. I challenge you to submit one of your prototypes for burning toxicity off-gasing as measured by the widely accepted method of a cone calorimeter. If you truly want to understand where the hazard lies this could help you understand why the CPSC has determined a safer mattress is a major step to better fire safety in the home. Remember "first, do no harm". I do agree with you that education is certainly something the consumer needs on this issue.

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l\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: guenter frivert

Degrees1:

Company1: pomp home Address1: 3806 main st City: culver city

State: ca Zip: 90232

Phone1: 310 287 9944

Email1: pomphome@earthlink.net

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

I am very aware of this chemicals.

I do have problems sleeping on a regular mattress because of these chemicals in them...unfortunately. I'm stricktly against this chemicals.

America the land of chemicals!

# sincerely

# guenter frivert

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Ed Campbell

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: New Hudson

State: MI Zip: 48165

Phone1:

Email1: B2: Submit Comments1: Lagree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs. Name1: Joyce Scott Degrees1: Company1: Address1: City: Tampa State: FL Zip: 33625 813-908-1672 Phone1: Email1: **B2**: Submit Comments1: I agree1: Salutation1: Mr. Name1: Paul Engelman Degrees1: Company1: Address1: City: Foley State: AL Zip: 36535 Phone1: Email1: B2: Submit Comments1: I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs. Name1: Donna Frost Degrees1: Company1: Address1: City: dunkirk State: ny Zip: 4048 Phone1: 7163661020 Email1: elhersfurniture@yahoo.com B2: Submit Comments1: this is awful. I\_agree1: ON

Salutation1: Mrs.

Greta Mitchell Name1:

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: New Bern State: North Carolina

Zip: 28562

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Mark Williams

Degrees1:

Company1: Bernhardt Home Furniture Address1: 1672 Old Skokie Road

City: Highland Park

State: Illinois Zip: 60035

Phone1: 847 831-4300

Email1: www.Bernhardthome furniture.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

#### We are opposed to this proposed legislation.

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I\_agree1: Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Mark Williams

Degrees1:

Company1: Bernhardt Home Furniture Address1: 1672 Old Skokie Road

City: Highland Park

State: Illinois Zip: 60035

Phone1: 847 831-4300

Email1: www.Bernhardthome furniture.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

## We are opposed to this proposed legislation.

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l\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

Name1: shirley nimmo

Degrees1:

Company1: southern recovery

Address1: po box 1064

City: sumner State: ga Zip: 31789

Phone1: 229-777-7840

Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

sir, pleaseforward this to whom ever it may concern. the chemicals you are planning to add to a mattrew are not what a health concious society would appreciate nor tolerate now!!

#### s. nommo

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: Otis Sizemore

Degrees1: MSBA

Company1: Homes & Hideaways, Ltd

Address1: P O Box 1137 City: Maggie Valley

State: NC Zip: 28751

Phone1:

Email1: OSizemore@AOL.COM

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

Absolutely insane to put toxic materials into bedding. Better to outlaw smoking in bed.

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr. Name1: mark

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: jeff
State: in
Zip: 47130
Phone1:

Email1:

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

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I\_agree1; ON Salutation1: Mrs. Name1: Rita Plum

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 110 Falling Creek Ct.

City: Garner State: NC Zip: 27529 Phone1:

Pnone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mr.

Name1: russell schaefer

Degrees1: bachelor of arts with highest honors

Company1:

Address1: 9031 S. Karlov Ave.

City: Chicago State: Illinois Zip: 60652

Phone1: 773 582 5164

Email1:

twofoxriver@aol

B2:

Submit

#### Comments1:

I do not wish to sleep on any substance that is used to kill any form of life for fear that it will ovever time, KILL ME!

I\_agree1: ON Salutation1: Mrs.

linda schaefer Name1:

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 8031 S. Karlov Ave.

City: chicago illinois State: Zip: 60652

773 582 5164 Phone1: twofoxriver@aol Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

let me make my own decisions relative to fire prevention in my home and on my mattress

I agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: mark strobel

Degrees1: Company1: Address1: City: jeff State: in Zip: 47130 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON

Mrs. Virginia Stout T1: Name1: Vriginia Stout Degrees1: BA Education Company1: teacher Address1: 1345 Hwy 603 City: Napavine State: Washington

98532

Zip:

Phone1: 360 262 9562 Email1: wvstout@msn.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I\_agree1: T1: Mrs

Name1: Virginia Stout Degrees1: BA Education

Company1:

Address1: 1345 Hwy 603

City: Napavine State: Washington

Zip: 98532

Phone1: 360 262 9562 Email1: wvstout@msn.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: Nancy Baird

Degrees1:

Company1: Interiors Address1: 4912 Norhill

City: Houston State: TX Zip: 77009 Phone1:

Email1: interiors219@sbcglobal.net

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

As a person who has suffered with severe allergies my whole life I am viamently against adding any poisonous chemicals to our mattresses. We need to be removing these caustic elements instead of adding them.

I\_agree1:

T1:

Name1: Jane Golemba

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: Troy
State: MI
Zip: 48084
Phone1:
Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: Erin Booth

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Lathrup Village

State: MI Zip: 48076 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

I\_agree1: T1: Mr

Name1: Bradley Sparling Degrees1: Asoc Biology

Company1:

Address1: 2713 15th ave

City: carmel State: ca Zip: 93923

Phone1: 831-624-4030

Email1: bradstyle@hotmail.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

# Do not smoke in bed.

Lagree1: ON T1: Mrs.

Name1: Dorothy D Wilson

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 206 George Street

City: Beaufort State: NC Zip: 28516

Phone1: 252-725-1958

Email1: dcdevnew@earthlink.net

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

# This law is absurd!!!! I hope this can help to Stop the madness!!!

I\_agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: Lonnie Terry

Degrees1:

Company1: Terry Furniture Address1: 511 N Main St

City: Anderson State: SC Zip: 29621

Phone1: 864-225-1466

Email1: sales@terryfurniture.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

As a retailer I am not only uncomfortable with health risks, but also legal liabilities. Please ax this debate!!!!

I\_agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: RONALD SPRAGGINS

Degrees1: MASTERS

Company1: COMMONWEALTH Address1: 21 VIA PIEDRAS City: manitou springs State: COLORADO

Zip: 80829

Phone1: 719-685-4300

Email1: spragginsccim@adelphia.net

B2: Submit

Comments1:

TYPICAL GOVERNMENT ANSWER, NEVER DO THE RESEARCH TO SEE WHAT THE NEGATIVES ARE. SOME GROUP COMPLAINS & THEY REACT. GET OUT OF OUR LIVES.

I\_agree1: ON

T1: Ms.

Name1: Lauren Degrees1: Eaton Company1:

Address1:

City: Canoga Park

State: CA 91303 Zip: Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

I agree1: T1:

Name1: John Robson

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Canoga Park State: CA Zip: 91303 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

I agree1: T1: Mr.

Name1: Pete McGill

Degrees1:

Company1: Performance Fabrics Address1: 181 Highway 521

City: Andrews State: SC 29585 Zip:

Phone1: 843-221-4122 Email1: pmcgill100@aol.com

Submit B2:

# Comments1:

Just thought you might like to know that that the majority of the mattress companies are NOT using boric acid to meet the CA 603 regulation.

Most companies like mine are using fibers that are flame retardant without the use of chemicals.

You need to do some more research. The sky is not falling.

I\_agree1: ON T1: Mr.

Name1: Steve Hernandez

Degrees1:

Company1: Paramount Mattress, Inc.

Address1:

City: Los Angeles

State: Ca Zip: 90023 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON T1: Mr.

Name1: William D Bills (JR)

Degrees1:

Company1: Bills Brothers Furniture LLC.

Address1: 303 8 Ave S.E. City: Cedar Rapids

State: Iowa Zip: 52401

Phone1: 319-363-5010 Email1: info@billsbros.com

B2: Submit

Comments1:

JR's Comments

As the buyer for the mattresses that we cary I feel that this issue needs more time to be studdled and cannot be presented untill we have proof of any carsoniggenits effects!! The smoke will kill you faster than the CANCER!! JR

Disclamer. Our company will not be held liable for my opinion.

l\_agree1:

T1:

Name1: Jim Jolley

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: Ripon
State: CA
Zip: 95366
Phone1:
Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

Please stop this law. We don't need Boric Acid in our bedding. Thanks.

I\_agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: Rodney Goodrum

Degrees1:

Company1: TriStar Bedding Group

Address1:
City: Denver
State: CO
Zip: 80126
Phone1:
Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

It is a shame that government is blaming mattress fires on mattresses instead of on people being careless. In our society it is becoming apparent that no-one is willing to take blame for their actions resulting in frivilous lawsuits. This has a ripple effect that is everywhere, tabacco, guns, SUV's etc. and now mattresses. What's next...donuts!?? No wonder companies are moving overseas. In the end, the little guy is going to loose and so is America.

I\_agree1: ON T1: Ms.

Name1: Janine Degrees1: Selendy Company1:

Company1 Address1:

City: NOrth Salem State: New York Zip: 10560 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

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I\_agree1:

T1:

Name1: Brian Smith

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Grand Rapids

State: MI Zip: 000000 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

You know foam is a chemical in mattresses as well with their fire retardant PBDE shoing up in breast milk we should eliminate all foam from cars, furniture, and bedding.

l\_agree1: ON T1: Mrs.

Name1: Inger Freund

| Degrees1: Company1: Address1: City: Lake Villa State: IL Zip: 60046 Phone1: Email1: B2: Submit                                                                                 |
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| Comments1:                                                                                                                                                                     |
| I_agree1: ON T1: Mrs. Name1: Kimberly Cooley Degrees1: Company1: Address1: 4807 William Street City: McHenry State: II Zip: 60050 Phone1: Email1: kimberly@mortgagebancorp.com |
| B2: Submit                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Comments1:                                                                                                                                                                     |
| I_agree1: ON T1: Name1: Louisa Didat Degrees1: Company1: Address1: City: Floyds Knobs State: IN Zip: 47119 Phone1: Email1: B2: Submit                                          |
| Comments1:                                                                                                                                                                     |
| I_agree1: ON T1: Name1: Michael Levitz Degrees1: Company1: Address1: City: Grand Prairie State: Tx Zip: 75050 Phone1: Email1: B2: Submit                                       |
| Comments1:                                                                                                                                                                     |
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1 agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: Vannierop

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: West Vancouver

State: BC Zip: V7S1W6

Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

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I\_agree1:

T1:

Name1: Dwain Schuh

Degrees1:

Company1: Furniture Market Address1: 10505 Boyer Blvd.

City: Austin State: TX Zip: 78758 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

California has always been a leader when it comes to illogical legislation. There are plenty of Californians perhaps this will stem the flow of them and their logics to the rest of the country. Clearly this is liberalism run amuck. Perhaps they should mandate that they advertise this fire proof mattress as the "Boric Acid Fire Proof Mattress for those of you who like to smoke in bed. If the smoking doesn't kill you then the boric acid well".

I\_agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: Dwain Schuh

Degrees1:

Company1: Furniture Market Address1: 10505 Boyer Blvd.

City: Austin State: TX Zip: 78758 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

California has always been a leader when it comes to illogical legislation. There are plenty of Californians perhaps this will stem the flow of them and their logics to the rest of the country. Clearly this is liberalism run amuck. Perhaps they should mandate that they advertise this fire proof mattress as the "Boric Acid Fire Proof Mattress for those of you who like to smoke in bed. If the smoking doesn't kill you then the boric acid well".

I\_agree1: ON T1: Ms.

Name1: Teresa Dimeo
Degrees1: Interior Architect
Company1: Teresa Dimeo Inc

Address1:

City: Providence

State: RI Zip: 02906 Phone1:

Email1: whereistdimeo@aol.com

B2: **Submit** 

#### Comments1:

It is the consumers right to have a warning lable of health risks on a mattress. Sounds to me it deserves as much attention as the tobacco industry.

I\_agree1: ON T1: Ms.

Name1: Sharron Brust Degrees1: M.S.W. Company1: Ecophilia

Address1: 1101 Periwinkle Way STE. 101

City: Sanibel State: FI Zip: 33957

Phone1: 23-472-2330 Email1: ecophilia@aol.com

Submit B2:

#### Comments1:

Any legislator that votes for this law requiring the use of boric acid without scientific due diligence should lose their constituents' votes. I hope that this information is reported to consumers.

I\_agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: Bill Kaszer

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 617 Houston City: Manhattan State: KS 66502 Zip: Phone1: Email1:

Submit B2:

Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: mark Degrees1: test Company1: Address1:

City: jeffersonville State: in Zip: 47130 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON T1: mrs.

Name1: sylvia brooks

Degrees1:

Company1: g t mcswain inc Address1: p o box 446 City: henrietta

State: nc Zip: 28076

Phone1: 704-434-7829

Email1: sylvia143@carolina.rr.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

i disagree with the use of boric acid or any other chemicals due to the new law concerning mattresses.

i believe chemicals are the reason many Americans have cancer and anything that even has the remote possibility of hurting a fetus or causing harm to any part of the human body should not even be considered for use (especially something we spend 1/3 of our life in contact with).

#### stop this new law!!!

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I\_agree1: ON T1: mrs

Name1: sherry karnes

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: lago vista
State: texas
Zip: 78645

Phone1: 5122679893

Email1: karnes\_5@yahoo.com

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

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1\_agree1: ON T1: Mr.

Name1: Neal Von Almen

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 356 Chicasaw Ct.

City: Jacksonville

State: FI Zip: 32259

Phone1: 904-230-9444

Email1: nvonalme@bellsouth.net

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I agree1: ON T1: Ms.

Name1: Rowena Finegan

Degrees1: IBBE Company1: Eco-terric

Address1: 3080 Veltkamp Rd

City: Bozeman State: Montana Zip: 59718

Phone1: 406 388 2610 Email1: rofin@onewest.net

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

As a Bau-biologist I cannot agree more to the above statement. Furthermore,I would like to see the end of pesticides in the cotton industry as these are causing untold health problems. Our sleeping hours are an essential time for our bodies to heal and the use of toxic chemicals in the sleeping system will certainly do more harm than

I agree1: ON T1: Ms.

Name1: Maria Stahl

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: 605 Empire St

City: Montpelier State: OH 43543

Zip: Phone1:

Email1: metsss@yahoo.com

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

If they want to cut down on the number of deaths from mattresses catching fire, outlaw smoking. Oh, no-that would be too easy. Let's just put pounds of poison in our mattresses instead. Yeah-that's a good idea. Reallywhere do these people come up with these ideas? Most young children are smarter than this.

I\_agree1: ON T1: Ms. Name1: Judie Degrees1: Company1: Long

Address1: 121 W 72nd St

City: ny State: ny Zip: 10023

Phone1:

Email1: LongsBeds@aol.com

**B2**: Submit

# Comments1:

Keep the cancer out of the beds. This is the most ridiculous law to come about since flame retardant, cancercausing children's sleepwear, about 20 years ago. That, too, was taken off the market.

I\_agree1: ON T1:

Name1: RONALD SPRAGGINS

Degrees1: MASTERS

Company1: COMMONWEALTH Address1: 21 VIA PIEDRAS City: manitou springs State: COLORADO

State: COLC Zip: 80829

Phone1: 719-685-4300

Email1: spragginsccim@adelphia.net

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

FOLLOW THE MONEY!!!!! CHECK OUT WHO WILL MAKE DOLLARS ON SELLING THE PRODUCTS THAT ALL MATTRESSSES WILL USE.

ONE WORD FOR GOVERNMENT, STAY OUT OF OUR LIVES!!!
WE NEED ONE MORE LAW . . . A LAW THAT STOPS THE GOVERNMENT FROM MAKING ANYMORE
LAWS!!!!!!!

I\_agree1: ON T1: mrs

Name1: debbie box

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: dayton
State: ohio
Zip: 45414
Phone1:
Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

This has to stop, as a chemically sensitive person, I don't need to have any more chemicals in my mattress, especially ones that pose serious health questions. Nor do I want my children, ranging in ages 2-13, to sleep on mattresses treated with this potentially dangerous chemcial on them. It's just not worth the risk to their health or to mine. Stop this law before our bedding toxically harms or kills us. I would rather risk fire than risk breathing in this chemical while I sleep. I believe that this is going overboard, how-many of us are going to go to bed with a lit torch? Enough is enough, they've gone to far with this. What has happened to the rights of the people to make informed choices? If this law is enacted I will definetly buy organic and get a doctors note to make sure that it's untreated!!!!!NO MORE CHEMCIALS, my body can't take any more of them.

I\_agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: Roger Bell

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: Salem
State: Oregon
Zip: 97306
Phone1:
Email1:

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Comments1:

If it's broke, fix it.

# If it's fragile, think long and hard before you consider using a hammer! I\_agree1: ON T1: Ms

Name1: Jill Strama Degrees1: MPT Company1: Address1:

City: Lancaster State: CA Zip: 93535 Phone1: Email1:

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Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: VICKY LYNN

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: LAFAYETTE

State: LA Zip: 70503 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON T1: Mrs.

Name1: Suzanne Dalton

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: Roanoke
State: VA
Zip: 24011

Phone1: Email1:

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Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON T1: Mrs.

Name1: Crystal Jones

Degrees1: BS in Elementary Education

Company1:

Address1: 960 State Route 384

City: Mayfield State: KY Zip: 42066 Phone1: Email1:

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#### Comments1:

I really do not like the fact that laws others make "affect" everyone. My husband is allergic to many things. My children have skin conditions that are easily irritated. I like to inhale clean air. Not air polluted with toxins. I'm 31 years old and the 10 homes I have lived in, there has never been a fire.

I currently own a mattress that has had a new chemical smell in it for over a year. When my children sleep on it, they awake smelling of a furniture polish smell. The sheets, quilts, and pillows smell this way. The smell lingers in the room. I do not really see how this is healthily. I'm looking into selling it. Besides, the covers would be engulfed in flames before the mattress would be.

We should have the option of this "safe protection from a fire." If you buy a mattress and wish to spray this "protector" on your bed, you have that option. And if you wish not to have this on your bed, then you can sleep with a sound mind that you are not endangering yourself by inhaling something toxic.

Sincerely,

Crystal Jones

l\_agree1:

T1:

Name1: Martin

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: Barton
State: MS
Zip: 38611
Phone1:
Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

I think boric acid is perfectly ok for making a mattress safe. It has been used for 33 years!!

I\_agree1: ON T1: Mrs.

Name1: Sandra Snow

Degrees1: Medical Laboratory Technology

Company1:

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Phone1: 386-362-5181

Email1: sandy332@atlantic.net

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#### Comments1:

I was under the impression Boric Acid was taken off the shelves for it toxicity. Many people were able to control the insect population in their homes with it at minimum cost, but it was taken away due to health hazards. The government says it is unsafe to have under your sink, but alright to sleep on it. That is a very mixed up view point. I personally do not want to sleep on a mattress containing boric acid or have any one love sleep on one. I am opposed to the new law.

I\_agree1: ON T1: Mrs.

Name1: Pamela

Degrees1: Company1:

Address1: PO Box 610 City: North Beach

State: MD Zip: 20714

Phone1:

Email1: pamm@uanet.org

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#### Comments1:

I think putting all these chemicals in a mattress will harm millions as we spend more hours a day on our mattress that any where else.

It is not worth it to guess at saving only 300 people from fire.

I\_agree1: ON T1: MS

Name1: Heidi Gould Degrees1: OTR/L, CST BS

Company1:

Address1: 1015 4 th Ave. SW

City: Olympia State: OlympiWA Zip: 98502 Phone1:

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Email1:

Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON

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Name1: Kathleen Levenston

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Richmond State: VA Zip: 23221

Phone1: Email1:

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Comments1:

I\_agree1: T1: Mr.

Name1: Scott P. Lievens

Degrees1: BA

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Email1: Spl327@aol.com

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#### Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON T1: MR.

Name1: BEN HUANG

Degrees1: BS, APPLIED MATH

Company1: PERFECT MATCH FURNITURE

Address1: 36-60 MAIN STREET

City: FLUSHING State: NY

State: NY Zip: 11354

Phone1: 718-886-2448

Email1: BENJU179@YAHOO.COM

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#### Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON T1: Dr.

Name1: Michael Leake

Degrees1: D.C.

Company1: Chiropractic and Disc Treatment Center

Address1: 2550 Mosside Blvd

City: Monroeville

State: Pa. Zip: 15146 Phone1:

Email1: mleake@adelphia.net

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## Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON T1: Mrs.

Name1: Jennifer Leake

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Monroeville

State: Pa Zip: 15146 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

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Lagree1: ON

T1:

Name1: James S Leake

Degrees1:

Company1: Address1:

City: Monroeville

State: PA Zip: 15146 Phone1:

Email1:

B2: Submit

Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON

T1:

Name1: Becky Leake

Degrees1: Company1: Address1:

City: Monroeville

State: Pa Zip: 15146 Phone1: Email1:

B2: Submit

# Comments1:

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I\_agree1: ON T1: ms

Name1: Mary Reynolds

Degrees1: B.S. Company1: MPK Inc

Address1: 917 Avenida Presidio

City: SanClemente State: California Zip: 92672

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Email1: mpkmary@pacbell.net

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#### Comments1:

This mattress requirement if ridiculous. I do not want to have unecessary exposure to more chemicals than is absolutely necessary. The risk of getting cancer outweighs my risk of having my mattress catch fire. By the way maybe they should just put a warning on the mattress that says do not smoke in bed!

I\_agree1: ON T1: Ms.

Name1: Stephani

Degrees1:
Company1:
Address1:
City: Dallas
State: Texas
Zip: 75243
Phone1:
Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

l\_agree1: T1: mrs

Name1: kim konigseder

Degrees1:

Company1: liberty coach Address1: 1400 morrow ave

City: north chicago

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Email1: kim@libertycoach.com

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# Comments1:

I\_agree1: ON T1: Mr

Name1: David J Roberts

Degrees1: BS

Company1: The King Koil Licensing Co Inc.

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City: Hinsdale State: Illinois Zip: 60521

Phone1: 630-230-9744

Email1: droberts@kingkoil.com

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# Comments1:

# Attempting to "Rush" this to market will prove to be a disaster.

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I\_agree1: ON T1: mrs

Name1: kristy glass

Degrees1:

Company1: neiman marcus Address1: 420 allison drive

City: dallas State: tx Zip: 75208

Phone1: 214 942 2049

Email1:

B2: Submit

#### Comments1:

# i would rather the matress be free of toxic chemicals rather than being fire resistant.

l\_agree1: ON T1: mr.

Name1: john sheppard

Degrees1:

Company1: Good Morning Mattress

Address1: 17 whitefriar dr

City: akron State: oh Zip: 44319